

New Hampshire Veterans Home

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Country Village Quilters Guild Donates 36 Patriotic Quilts to New Hampshire Veterans Home

Quilters on a mission to provide a patriotic quilt for each of NHVH's 250 beds

TILTON, NH – November 11, 2004 – The New Hampshire Veterans Home recently welcomed several members of the Country Village Quilters Guild ("CVQG") of Moultonborough for their annual Veterans Day presentation of bed-sized quilts to the NHVH Residents. The 36 handmade quilts feature patriotic themes, patterns and colors that significantly contribute to the homelike atmosphere. Each quilt is personally inscribed with the message, "For our veterans, given with gratitude for your service to our country". The visit marks the third annual donation that the guild members have made since beginning their quest to outfit each of the 250 Resident beds. CVQG donated a total of 11 quilts in November 2002 and 24 quilts in November 2003. This year's donation brings the total number of quilts donated to 71.

CVQG Members who attended this year's presentation are Ellen Proctor (Moultonborough), June Clark (Laconia), Priscilla Sherman (Melvin Village), Connie Richards, Community Outreach Co-Chairperson (Laconia), Sally Seiss, Community Outreach Co-Chairperson (Meredith), Nancy Collins (North Sandwich), Barbara Nash (Laconia), Joan Royea (Center Harbor), Ann Wallace (Meredith),

Peggy Robinson (Bristol), Nancy McCoy (Meredith) and Loraine Derick (Alexandria). CVQG members are grateful for the assistance that they received from fellow quilters guilds throughout the Granite State. The following individuals and organizations contributed quilts and squares towards the project during 2004: Dorothy Bloom, Lavon Butler, Seabreeze Quilters Guild (Exeter), Ladies of the Lake Quilters Guild (Wolfeboro) and Hannah Dustin Quilters Guild (Hudson).

The Patriotic Quilts for NHVH are CVQG's primary Community Outreach Project. Members are already planning the next donation of quilts and welcome the assistance of fellow quilters. To inquire about donating fabric and squares for the project, please contact Sally Seiss, CVQG Community Outreach Co - Chairperson at 603-279-4993.

About the New Hampshire Veterans Home

The New Hampshire Veterans Home ("NHVH") was established in Tilton in 1890 as the Soldier's Home for Civil War Veterans. Today, the modern facility in its countryside setting is home to men and women who have served their country and fellow New Hampshire citizens. The mission of NHVH is to provide high quality, professional long-term care services to the Granite State's elderly and disabled veterans. NHVH is the only long-term care facility in the Granite State that is dedicated exclusively to veterans.

As a professional health care provider, NHVH offers a full range of services including residential, medical/dental and nursing care as well as physical/occupational therapy, recreation, and dietetic and social services. Chapel services, exercise groups, arts and crafts, shopping trips, live entertainment and various community outings support residents' quality of life. NHVH also offers inter-generational programs and animal-assisted recreational therapy.

Dedicated staff members work in partnership with volunteers from surrounding communities and numerous veteran service organizations to enrich our residents' lives. NHVH recently completed construction of a 100-person Life Enhancement Dementia Unit that will serve the long-term care needs of

veterans who suffer from Alzheimer's and other related memory impairment disorders. The facility addition will enable NHVH to provide comprehensive long-term care services to a total of 250 Residents.

Additional information is available online at our website www.nh.gov/veterans



Members of the Country Village Quilters Guild are on a mission to provide each of the Resident beds at the New Hampshire Veterans Home with a handmade, patriotic quilt. Pictured from left are Ellen Proctor (Moultonborough), June Clark (Laconia), Priscilla Sherman (Melvin Village), Connie Richards, Community Outreach Co-Chairperson (Laconia), Sally Seiss, Community Outreach Co-Chairperson (Meredith), Nancy Collins (North Sandwich), Barbara Nash (Laconia), Joan Royea (Center Harbor), Ann Wallace (Meredith), Peggy Robinson (Bristol), Nancy McCoy (Meredith) and Loraine Derick (Alexandria)

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